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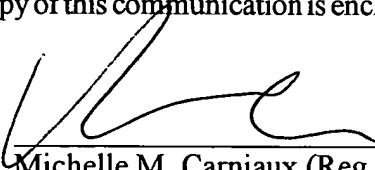
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1. In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in conformance with the procedures of 35 U.S.C. §§ 1.97 and 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609, attorneys for Applicant hereby brings the following references to the attention of the Examiner. These references are listed on the attached modified PTO Form No. 1449. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.
2. A copy of each of the patents and publications listed on the modified PTO Form 1449 is enclosed, except as otherwise indicated on the modified PTO Form 1449.
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